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The Honorable Thomas S. Foley Speaker of the House of Representatives

Dear Mr. Speaker:

On October 18, 1994, the President submitted to the Congress his first special impoundment message for fiscal year 1995. The message reports seven deferrals of budget authority. We have reviewed the deferrals and found them to be in accordance with the Impoundment Control Act, 2 U.S.C. § 681, gt seq., as amended.

Enclosure I provides specific information with regard to two of the deferrals which we believe will be useful to the Congress in its examination of the message. Enclosure II provides a list of the deferrals as reported by the President.

Sincerely yours,

Comptroller General
of the United States

Enclosures

ENCLOSURE I

COMMENTS ON THE FIRST SPECIAL MESSAGE

FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT

D95-1

International Security Assistance Economic Support Fund Amount Deferred: \$53,300,000 114/51037 11X1037

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The President's message reports a deferral of \$53,300,000 and OMB's most recent cumulative report, submitted to the Congress on November 9, 1994, also shows the total amount deferred as \$53,300,000. However, the most recent apportionment schedules for these accounts, dated October 25, 1994, show the total amount deferred as \$1,216,800,000. OMB explained that it is aware of the discrepancy which was caused by a slight delay in the agency reporting the increased deferral amount to OMB. OMB is currently preparing a revised deferral report to the Congress reflecting the larger deferred amount. Furthermore, according to the latest apportionment schedules for these accounts, total budgetary resources are \$2,914,678,746 and not \$2,409,727,863 as shown in the message.

D95-5

Agency for International Development International Disaster Assistance, Executive Amount Deferred: \$169,998,000

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11X1035

According to the latest apportionment schedule for this account, dated October 17, 1994, total budgetary resources are \$194,960,644 and not \$173,998,000 as reported in the message. Also, the latest apportionment schedule for this account, as well as the most recent cumulative report, submitted to the Congress on November 9, 1994, shows the total amount currently deferred has been reduced to \$115,003,644 due to subsequent releases of budget authority.

Inclosure II

CONTENTS OF SPECIAL MESSAGE (in thousands of dollars) as reported by the President)

DEFERRAL NO.	ITEM	BUDGET _AUTHORITY
	Funds Appropriated to the President: International Security Assistance:	
D 95 -1	Economic support fund	53.300
D95-2 -	Foreign military financing grants	3.139.279
D95-3	Foreign military financing program	47,917
D95-4	Military-to-military contact program	2,000
	Agency for International Development:	
D 95 -5	International disaster assistance, Executive	169,998
	Department of Health and Human Services:	
	Social Security Administration:	
D95-6	Limitation on administrative	
	expenses	7,319
	Department of State:	
	Bureau for Refugee Programs:	
D95-7	United States emergency refugee and	
	migration fund	105,300
	Total, deferrals	3,525,113